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Morris K. Udall Foundation Awards 2006 Native American Congressional Internships in Washington, DC.

Terrence L. Bracy, Chairman of the Board of the Morris K. Udall Foundation, has announced that 12 students from 9 tribes and 11 universities have been selected as 2006 Native American Congressional Interns. They were selected by an independent review committee of nationally recognized Native American educators and tribal policy leaders on the basis of demonstrated commitment to careers in tribal public policy and academic achievement.

The twelve Udall Interns will complete an intensive, ten-week internship in Washington, D.C. this summer, where they will work full-time in congressional offices or federal agencies and observe the federal legislative process first-hand. Special enrichment activities will provide opportunities to meet with key decision-makers. Since its inception in 1996, 126 Native American/Alaska Native students from 87 tribes have participated in the program.

The Morris K. Udall Foundation was authorized by Congress in 1992 to honor Congressman Udall's legacy of public service. The Foundation is supported by a trust fund in the U.S. Treasury and contributions from the private sector.

Congressman Udall served in the House of Representatives for three decades, a career distinguished by civility, integrity and consensus. He championed the rights of Native Americans and Alaska Natives, using his leadership in Congress to strengthen tribal self-governance and national environmental policy.

For a complete listing of the 2006 Udall Interns and to obtain more information on the Morris Udall Foundation, please visit our website at www.udall.gov or contact Monica Nuvamsa at (520) 670-5187 or nuvamsa@udall.gov.

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